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In re Application of
SAKAMOTO et al.

Serial No. 10/086,931

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Title: METHOD FOR DISTILLING
(METH)ACRYLIC ACID SOLUTION

Group Art Unit: 1764

Examiner: MANOHARAN, V.

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to an Advisory Action dated April 12, 2004 please amend the application as follows: